

### REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending. The Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct inventions:

- I. Claims 1-28, drawn to a blind trimming device, classified in class 83, subclass 454; and
- II. Claims 29-31, drawn to a method of trimming blinds, classified in class 83, subclass 13.

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single invention. By this Response, Applicant respectfully elects, without traverse, invention I relating to Claims 1-28 and cancels Claims 29-31.


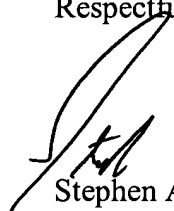
Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected invention II and other aspects of the application in one or more divisional patent applications if the restriction requirement is upheld.

### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, examination of the current application on the merits is respectfully requested.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

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